

## Church Amateurs Who Will Present "San Toy" in Aid of Convent Building



DRAMATIC SOCIETY, OUR LADY OF MERCY.

### Ursuline Academy Hopes to Get a New Gymnasium and Classrooms.

The Dramatic Society of the Church of Our Lady of Mercy will repeat its production of "San Toy" in the auditorium of Fordham College next Monday and Tuesday evenings, devoting the proceeds to the fund for the new building of Ursuline Convent, Briggs Avenue and 198th Street.

The new building will house a complete gymnasium and class rooms for the Ursuline Academy, which is now badly pressed for space. The additional structure will cost about \$100,000. An auditorium will also be provided for in the new building.

"San Toy" was first staged several weeks ago by the Dramatic Society. The work of the Bronx amateurs was highly praised during that performance, and when the demand came for a repetition it was decided to devote the proceeds to this useful end.

Included in the cast are the following: Patrick Carroll, John J. Ryan, Thomas F. Franklin, Harold Treanor, William Gorman, Charles Gorman, Patrick Garrett, Thomas Healy, Norman Chapleau, Peter Loughran, Edwin Reagan, Edward Campbell, Anita Shumway, Betty Kane, Helen Neal, Mabel Smith, Beatrice Musgrave, Dorothy Waine, Helen Ryan, Ruth Lakes, Catherine Gilligan, Margaret Lee, Margaret Walsh, Elsie

### TWO SENATORS-ELECT AT DINNER TO SHERIFF

Copeland and Edwards Will Help Honor Edward Flynn Dec. 14.  
United States Senators-elect Copeland and Edwards will be the principal speakers at the dinner to be tendered Sheriff Edward Flynn of the Bronx by the Sheriff's Jury Club Dec. 14 (George R. Lunn, Lieutenant Governor-elect, Bainbridge Colby and Martin Conboy will also address the diners). There will be over 1,500 persons present. James R. Murphy, President of the club, will be toastmaster. The guest of honor besides being the youngest Sheriff in the county, is Democratic boss of the Bronx.

MONROE CLUB RECEPTION.  
Nearly 2,000 members and friends of the Monroe Democratic Club of the Bronx attended the annual entertainment and reception of that club at Hunts Point last night. Deputy Street Cleaning Commissioner James W. Brown, executive member of the club, and Mae Skiffington, associate executive, welcomed the guests. The entertainment was furnished from professional talent now at Bronx theatres.



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### BECKER TRIAL SET FOR MONDAY, TO PLEAD INSANITY

#### Norkin Gets Separate Hearing and Will Face Jury One Week Later.

The trial of Abraham Becker for the murder of his wife, Jennie, whose body was found buried in the yard of the automobile repair shop of his friend, Reuben Norkin, was set for Monday next by Judge Gibbs in the Bronx County Court yesterday. Norkin will be tried a week later.

The two, who are under indictment for murder in the first degree, pleaded not guilty when arraigned yesterday.

Assistant District Attorney Cohn asked an immediate trial. Alexander Mayer and Charles V. Halley, attorneys for Becker, and former Sen-

ator Thomas I. Sheridan, attorney for Norkin, protested, asserting an unusual effort was being made to force a speedy trial.

They asked that the two men be tried separately, and this request was granted. Mr. Cohn told the court he was ready to open the case without delay and was prepared to try both men at a joint trial.

Becker's counsel intimated they would ask a change of venue, saying no steps had been taken to protect Becker's interests. They asked Judge Gibbs to appoint an alienist to inquire into Becker's sanity, but Judge Gibbs refused to do this.

Mr. Cohn said his office is going ahead with its investigation into the disappearance seven years ago of Fannie Bloom, but that the investigators have not yet established any connection with the slaying of Jennie Becker other than at the time of her disappearance she was employed in the home of Norkin's parents. Additional witnesses on behalf of the Bloom family are to be questioned, Mr. Cohn said. They probably will be called to-day.

The body of Mrs. Becker will be buried at 10 o'clock Sunday morning from No. 319 East 150th Street, the Bronx. Rabbi Jacob Katz will officiate at the services. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, Hackensack, N. J.

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